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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, DC 20554

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

In re

Amendment of Section 73.202(b))		
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FM Broadcast Stations)		
(Hague, New York and)		
and Addison, Vermont))		

To: Chief, Allocations Branch

PETITION FOR RULEMAKING

John Anthony Bulmer, by his attorney, respectfully petitions for rule making to amend Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's rules to substitute an allotment of Channel 229C3 to the Town of Addison, Vermont, in lieu of the present allotment of Channel 229A at Hague, New York. In support thereof, the following is shown.

Bulmer is the permittee of FM station WWFY, Channel 229A at Hague, New York. The permit was recently granted, but as the station has not yet commenced broadcasting, WWFY is not considered an existing service at Hague. Modification of FM and TV Authorizations to Specify a New Community of License, 4 FCC Rcd 4870 (1989); recon. granted in part, 5 FCC Rcd 7094 (1990). Hence, the removal of Channel 229A from Hague, its only allotment, is not an impediment to the grant of this petition. Midway, Panacea and Quincy, Florida, 10 FCC Rcd 6112 (MMB 1995).

As shown by the attached spacing report, Channel 229C3 may be assigned to Addison consistent with all United States spacing and city-grade coverage requirements from the assumed reference point of 44° 02′ 30"; 73° 28′ 00" with the deletion of Channel 229A at Hague. All of Addison will receive a city-grade signal (70 dBu) from this reference point, assuming maximum Class C3 facilities.

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While the reference site is 18 km short-spaced to Canadian station CBM-FM, Montreal, Quebec, the instant proposal complies fully with the Canadian-USA FM Broadcasting Agreement of 1947. Mr. Bulmer recognizes that Canadian concurrence with his proposal must be obtained as a specially-negotiated short-spaced unlimited allotment.

As the petition proposes no change in channel and a site move of only 29.6 km, the proposal is mutually exclusive with the present authorization of WWFY. Grant of this petition will not subject Bulmer's authorization to competing applications.

Addison is a Vermont town, located in the western part of the state at the intersection of State routes 17 and 22A. Its population is 1023 according to the 1990 census. This represents about a 15% increase in population of that reported in the 1980 census. Addison presently has no local broadcast transmission service. In comparison, Hague's 1990 population was 699, more than 30% less than Addison's.

Addison meets the Commission's definition of a community. It has a Town Hall and an employed Town Clerk, as well as its own Fire Department. Located within Addison is the Addison Community Baptist Church. Children residing in Addison attend the Addison Central School.

A number of businesses located in Addison refer to Addison in their names, including the Addison Four Corner's Store, and the West Addison Country store and Laundromat. Addison is not within any metropolitan area.

Hence, the reallotment of Channel 229 from Hague to Addison will further goals of Section 307(b) of the Communications Act by giving a larger community its first local service. Moreover, as a Class A allotment, Channel 229A at Hague is limited in coverage. Grant of this petition will provide a new radio service to a much wider area, promoting a more efficient use of the spectrum. The changes requested herein will not create any underserved area.

Bulmer hereby certifies that he will promptly apply for a construction permit upon finalization of the allotment to Addison as requested herein, and will promptly construct and operate the station upon grant of its construction permit application.

Accordingly, and consistent with the policies regarding modification of a station's community of license, the Commission should amend Section 73.202(b) as follows:

Community	Present	Proposed
Addison, Vermont		229C3
Hague, NY	229A	

Respectfully Submitted,

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Searching Channel 229C3 (93.7	MHz):					
CALL CITY	ST CHN	CL S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
CBMFM Montreal	QU 228	C1	163.0	181.0	356.5°	-18.0
ALC Remsen	NY 228	A U	159.1	89.0	240.0°	70.1
ALC Corinth	NY 228	A U	91.9	89.0	195.5°	2.9
WRFM Remsen	NY 228	A L	159.1	89.0	240.0°	70.1
WRFM Remsen	NY 228	A C	163.3	89.0	241.7°	74.3
WZZMFM Corinth	NY 228	A L	91.9	89.0	195.5°	2.9
ALC Springfield	VT 228	A U	115.5	89.0	137.0°	26.5
WCFRFM Springfield	VT 228	A L	115.5	89.0	137.0°	26.5
ALC East-Angus	QU 229	A	214.4	180.0	41.7°	34.4
ALC Hartford	CT 229	B U	280.0	211.0	169.5°	69.0
WZMX Hartford	CT 229	B L	280.2	211.0	169.5°	69.2
ALC Lawrence	MA 229			211.0	129.5°	28.0
WEGQ Lawrence	MA 229	B I	262.0	211.0	129.8°	51.0
ALC Hague	NY 229			142.0	175.4°	-120.4
WWFY Hague	NY 229	A C	29.6	142.0	193.8°	-112.4
CFMOFM Ottawa	ON 230	C1	249.0	181.0	310.7°	68.0
WQKE Plattsburgh	NY 230	DI	72.5	0.0	360.0°	72.5
ALC Woodstock	VT 230	A	89.1	89.0	121.4°	0.0
ALC Morrisville	VT 230	A	89.8	89.0	50.0°	0.8
WLVB Morrisville	VT 230	AI			48.0°	0.2
WMXR Woodstock	VT 230	AI	93.9	89.0	121.1°	4.9
ALC Whitehall	NY 231	JA.	54.9	42.0	174.8°	12.9
WNYV Whitehall	NY 231	. A I	62.8	42.0	178.7°	20.8
CKMFFM Montreal	QU 232	C1	163.0	92.0	356.5°	71.0
ALC Hartford	VT 282	2 C3 t	J 90.8	14.0	109.1°	76.8